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SUBJECT: CONTINUED ROMANIAN STRUGGLE FOR SEMI THIRD WORLD STATUS

1. YUGOSLAV AMBASSADOR HAS TOLD US THAT ROMANIA IS
RESUMING ITS QUEST FOR SEMI NON-ALIGNED STATUS BY
SOUNDING OUT YUGOSLAVS FOR SUPPORT OF IDEA OF ROMANIA'S
OBTAINING OBSERVER CATEGORY AT NEXT YEAR'S NON-ALIGNED
SUMMIT MEETING IN SRI LANKA. AMBASSADOR DODIK SAID YUGO-
SLAV EMBASSY HERE HAS BEEN RECOMMENDING TO BELGRADE THAT
YUGOSLAVIA SUPPORT THE IDEA THIS TIME IN CONTRAST TO YUGO-
SLAV OPPOSITION AT 1973 ALGIERS SUMMIT. (HE THINKS TITO
THEN WAS MORE CONCERNED ABOUT POSSIBLE REACTIONS BY SOVIETS
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AND BY MAJOR NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES.) HE BELIEVES BELGRADE

WILL BACK ROMANIANS ON THIS ROUND. YUGOSLAVS HAVE ALREADY SUGGESTED ROMANIANS SOUND OUT SUCH COUNTRIES AS ALGERIA, EGYPT AND MEXICO IN ANTICIPATION OF NON-ALIGNED FOREIGN MINISTERS GATHERING IN LIMA LATER THIS YEAR. HE ASKED WHAT I THOUGHT US REACTION WOULD BE. I SAID WE HAD CONSISTENTLY SUPPORTED ROMANIAN INDEPENDENCE AND THEREFORE I FELT THIS WAS SOMETHING WE WOULD FEEL WOULD BE UP TO ROMANIA AND THE NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES TO WORK OUT THEMSELVES. I ADDED I THOUGHT IT WAS INTERESTING THAT AT RECENT UNIDO CONFERENCE IN LIMA, ROMANIA HAD BEEN ABLE TO JOIN THE GROUP OF 77 IN SPONSORING SOME RESOLUTIONS.

2. DODIK MENTIONED THAT ROMANIAN FOREIGN MINISTER WOULD PAY OFFICIAL VISIT TO BELGRADE APRIL 28-30 AND THAT QUESTION OF ROMANIAN OBSERVER STATUS AT NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE WOULD DEFINITELY BE DISCUSSED THEN.

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